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Sir:

Prior to commencing the Examination of the above-identified Patetn Application, Applicants respectfully submit the following Introductory Comments, Amendments to the Specification, Amendments to the Claims, and Remarks.

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Introductory Comments

This Preliminary Amendment has been formatted in attempted compliance with the proposed revisions to 37 CFR \S 1.121.

No fee, other than those provided for on the accompanying Fee Transmittal Form are believed to be due in order for the timely consideration of this Preliminary Amendemt. If, however, the Commissioner determines that such a fee is required, then the Commissioner is authorized to charge any (<u>Large Entity</u>) fee required for consideration of this submission to Deposit Account 50-0548.